SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2020, 8:00 A.M., COUNTY COMPLEX, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ROOM 803, 180 N. IRBY STREET, FLORENCE, SOUTH CAROLINA

PRESENT:
Willard Dorrity, Jr., Chairman
H. Steven DeBerry, IV, Vice Chairman
Mitchell Kirby, Secretary-Chaplain
Waymon Mumford, Council Member
Alphonso Bradley, Council Member
James T. Schofield, Council Member
Roger M. Poston, Council Member
Kent C. Caudle, Council Member
K. G. Rusty Smith, Jr., County Administrator
D. Malloy McEachin, Jr., County Attorney
Connie Y. Haselden, Clerk to Council

ABSENT:
Jason M. Springs, Council Member

ALSO PRESENT:
Sheriff William C. “Billy” Barnes
Joe W. King, Economic Development Partnership Executive Director
Matt Christian, Morning News Staff Writer

A notice of the special called meeting of the Florence County Council appeared in the February 5, 2020 edition of the MORNING NEWS. In compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, copies of the meeting Agenda were provided to members of the media, members of the public requesting copies, posted in the lobby of the County Complex, provided for posting at the Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Public Library, all branch libraries, and on the County’s website (www.florenceco.org).

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION/PLEDGE/WELCOME:
Chairman Dorrity called the meeting to order. Secretary/Chaplain Kirby provided the invocation and Vice Chairman DeBerry led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Chairman Dorrity welcomed everyone attending the meeting.
PUBLIC HEARINGS:
The Clerk published the title and the Chairman declared the public hearing opened for the following:

ORDINANCE NO. 18-2019/20
An Ordinance To Provide For The Issuance And Sale Of Not Exceeding Twenty-Two Million Dollar ($22,000,000) General Obligation Bonds In One Or More Series Of Florence County, South Carolina (Economic Development Projects), To Prescribe The Purposes For Which The Proceeds Of Said Bonds Shall Be Expended, To Provide For The Payment Of Said Bonds, And Other Matters Relating Thereto.

ORDINANCES IN POSITION:

ORDINANCE NO. 16-2019/20—SECOND READING
The Clerk published the title of Ordinance No. 16-2019/20: An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution And Delivery Of A Fee-In-Lieu-Of-Tax Agreement By And Between A Company Identified As “Project 4000-3” (The “Company”) And Florence County, South Carolina (The “County”) To Provide For The Payment Of Certain Fees In Lieu Of Taxes, The Issuance Of Certain Special Source Revenue Credits, And Other Matters Related Thereto. Councilman Caudle made a motion Council approve Second Reading of the Ordinance. Councilman Mumford seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously. Councilman Poston submitted a proxy on behalf of Councilman Spring. The proxy was for a ‘Yes’ vote on approval of Second Reading of the Ordinance. (The Proxy is attached and incorporated by reference.)

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PUBLIC HEARINGS:
There being no signatures on the sign-in sheet, the Chairman closed the public hearing. (The sign-in sheet is attached and incorporated by reference.)
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BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

2020 CENSUS COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE
Councilman Poston made a motion Council Approve The Appointment Of Jeff Humphries To Serve On The 2020 Census Complete Count Committee Representing Council District 2. Councilman DeBerry seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Councilman Mumford made a motion Council Approve The Appointment Of Reverend Anthony Howard To Serve On The 2020 Census Complete Count Committee Representing Council District 7. Councilman Poston seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:
Councilman DeBerry made a motion Council Enter Executive Session Pursuant To Section 39-4-70 Of The South Carolina Code Of Laws 1976, As Amended, To Discuss Matters Pertaining To Economic Development And To Receive Legal Advice With Regard To The Capital Project Sales Tax. Councilman Caudle seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Council entered Executive Session at 8:09 a.m.

Council reconvened at 9:50 a.m.

Chairman Dorriety stated no action was taken in Executive Session.

ORDINANCE NO. 20-2019/20 - INTRODUCED
The Clerk published the title and the Chairman declared Ordinance No. 20-2019/20 Introduced: An Ordinance Specifying Pursuant To Section 4-10-340(B)(3) Of The South Carolina Code Authorized Purposes To Which Excess Proceeds Of The Capital Project Sales Tax Approved By The Electors Of Florence County, South Carolina On November 5, 2013, May Be Applied And Other Matters Relating Thereto.
There being no further business to come before Council, Councilman Schofield made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Kirby seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:50 A.M.

MITCHELL KIRBY
SECRETARY-CHAPLAIN

CONNIE Y. HASELDEN
CLERK TO COUNTY COUNCIL
Carolina Publishing Group

AFFIDAVIT OF INSERTION

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF FLORENCE

Personally appeared before me ____________________________

The legal clerk for the Morning News, a daily newspaper published in the City of Florence, County of Florence, and the State of South Carolina said that the attached advertisement was published on

________________ & 3/5/2020 as shown by the files as said company.

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Sworn and subscribed before me this ___ day of February, 2020

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Notary Public South Carolina

commissions expire: ____________________________

FLORENCE COUNTY COUNCIL
NOTICE OF MEETING

The Florence County Council will hold a Special Called meeting on Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 6:00 A.M.
Florence County Complex
Council Chambers, Room 801
500 North John Street
Florence, SC

The agenda for the meeting can be reviewed in County Council's Office, at the Doctors Bruce and Lee Foundation Public Library and all branch libraries, and on the County web site at www.florenceco.org.

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February 5, 2020
Cecelia Y. Husband
Clerk to Council

310 S. Dargan St. Florence, SC 29506  WWW.SCNOW.COM
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )
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PROXY

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Jason M. Springs
Member, Florence County Council

WITNESSES:

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )
COUNTY OF FLORENCE )

PROBATE

PERSONALLY APPEARED, the undersigned witnessed and made oath that (s)he saw the within named Jason M. Springs, sign and as his act and deed, deliver the within PROXY, and that deponent, with the other witness subscribed above, witnessed the execution thereof.

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Witness

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SWORN to before me this 3rd day of February, 2020

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NOTARY PUBLIC (S.C.)
My Commission Expires 10-17-2023
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA )
COUNTY OF FLORENCE )

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SWORN to before me this 3rd day of January, 2020.

Witness

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My Commission Expires 10-17-2028
PUBLIC HEARING
February 6, 2020

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Witness

SWORN to before me this 24th day of February, 2020.

[Signature]
Loris W. Haselden
NOTARY PUBLIC (S.C.)
My Commission Expires 10-17-2028